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Title: **PEELABLE SEAL CLOSURE ASSEMBLY**

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98, copies of all foreign patent documents and non-patent documents are enclosed.

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Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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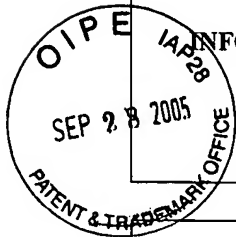
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